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PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: )  
MAIKO ENDO, ET AL. ) : Examiner: Unassigned  
Application No.: 09/669,899 ) : Group Art Unit: Unassigned  
Filed: September 27, 2000 ) :  
For: INK, INK-JET RECORDING ) :  
METHOD, INK-JET RECORDING: ) :  
APPARATUS, AND COLORING ) :  
MATERIAL : November 6, 2000

Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Sir:

In compliance with the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. § 1.56 and in accordance with the practice under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97 and 1.98, the Examiner's attention is directed to the documents listed below and on the enclosed Form PTO-1449. Copies of the listed documents are also enclosed.

FOREIGN PATENTS:

<u>Patent No.</u>	<u>Country</u>	<u>Publication Date</u>
0 867 484	Europe	September 30, 1998
11-29732	Japan	February 2, 1999
10-140057	Japan	May 26, 1998

55-139471	Japan	October 31, 1980
5-255567	Japan	October 5, 1993
62-95366	Japan	May 1, 1987

The Examiner's attention is also directed to the following U.S. Applications:

<u>APPLICATION NO.</u>	<u>FILING DATE</u>	<u>GROUP ART UNIT</u>	<u>STATUS</u>
09/672,769	September 29, 2000	N/A	Pending
09/342,534	June 29, 1999	2853	Pending
09/283,192	April 1, 1999	1714	Pending
09/259,253	March 1, 1999	2853	Pending
09/257,510	February 25, 1999	2853	Pending
09/241,852	February 2, 1999	2853	Pending
09/179,577	October 27, 1998	2854	Pending
09/178,631	October 26, 1998	1755	Pending
09/025,253	February 18, 1998	2853	Pending
08/863,719	May 27, 1997	1774	Pending
08/745,870	November 8, 1996	2853	Pending
08/635,335	April 19, 1996	1771	Pending
08/501,564	July 12, 1995	1771	Pending

In accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.98(a)(2)(iii), no copy of any cited U.S. Application is enclosed.

#### REMARKS

The JP '057 reference is cited at page 2, the JP '732 and '567 references are cited at page 3 and the JP '471 and '366 references are cited at page 4 of the specification. Each of these references is believed pertinent for the reasons set forth therein. English translations of the

Japanese references are not readily available to Applicants' attorney, but may be provided if required by the Examiner. English abstracts obtained from a commercial database for each of the Japanese references also are attached as an English language statement of relevance for the Examiner's consideration.

#### FEE STATEMENT

The present Information Disclosure Statement is being filed within three months of the filing date of the present application, or prior to the mailing of an initial official action. Accordingly, Applicants believe that no fee is required. Nevertheless, the Commissioner is authorized to charge any fee necessitated by this paper to Deposit Account No. 06-1205.

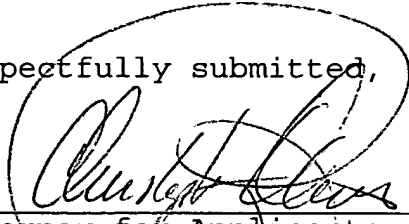
#### CONCLUSION

It is respectfully requested that the above information be considered by the Examiner and that a copy of the enclosed Form PTO-1449 be returned indicating that such information has been considered.

Applicants' undersigned attorney may be reached in our Washington, D.C. office by telephone at (202) 530-1010.

All correspondence should continue to be directed to our  
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Respectfully submitted,



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